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**LOOKING BACK . . . LOOKING AHEAD:
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10th Anniversary of the
Pace Center for Environmental
Legal Studies**

Introduction

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In June of 1993, Pace University School of Law marked the 10th Anniversary of the Pace Center for Environmental Legal Studies. When created, the void in environmental legal studies was vast. Ten years later, the Center stands as a model worldwide for the development of similar endeavors in other law schools. Founding participants in the Center are modest in what others perceive as foresight in a developing area of legal significance. This is, of course, because the founding participants understood what many have yet to grasp: that the need for effective and enforceable environmental laws is not a recent event. Rather, it is an event neglected in the past by our nation's laws.

What follows are remarks by Professor Nicholas A. Robinson, a founding member of the Pace Center for Environmental Legal Studies, and a speech by Professor Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., a graduate of Pace Law School's Environmental LL.M program, and the Director of the Pace Environmental

Litigation Clinic, at the Center's 10th Anniversary celebration. These pieces provide an impressive account of the Center's activities, and are inspirational reflections of the environmental law movement.